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Case Docket No. 50229-343

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is the patent application of:

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ENCLOSED ARE:

| [X] | 133 pages of written specification and 1 page(s) of an Abstract of the Disclosure. |
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| [X] | 4 pages of claims. |
| [X] | 6 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-6). |
| [] | A Preliminary Amendment. |
| | A Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney signed by the inventor(s). |
| [X] | Applicant(s) qualify for Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 and such status is |
| | hereby claimed. |
| [] | An assignment recordation cover sheet and an assignment of the invention to |
| [] | An Information Disclosure Statement and copies of references. |
| [] | Other: |

THE FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

| | | Small Entity | | II Entity | | Large Entity | |
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| | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | Fee | | Rate | Fee |
| Basic Filing Fee | | | | \$ 375 |] | | \$750 |
| Total Claims Filed | 25 | = 5 | x 9 | = \$ 45 | OR | x 18 | \$ |
| Total Independent Claims | 4 | = 1 | x 42 | = \$ 42 | | x 78 | \$ |
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PROVISIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSIONS OF TIME

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